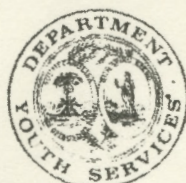


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NEWS FROM OUR STATE DIRECTOR.

The Crisis Intervention Program has been in effect for several weeks now. We are deeply indebted to the law school for providing us with volunteer advocates, and especially to Mr. Jim Rion and Professor Chastain. This program has caused us to take another look at our problems and has created some of its own in that some students have remained administratively segregated for long periods of time because our treatment programs were filled. We are now in the process of trying to develop a recreational program and an educational program (short-term) for those youngsters who must, because of their being security risks, remain in Rosewood Cottage. It is becoming increasingly clear to us that some youngsters need an extremely controlled environment for a certain period in their lives if they are to be convinced that it is their responsibility to stay out of trouble.

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The Budget and Control Board has recommended about 75 percent of our added budget request for approval. We are extremely fortunate in this respect, but we were disappointed that we did not get monies for new positions. We are especially disturbed that we did not get the 19 youth counselors whom we requested, and we shall appear before our subcommittee of the Ways and Means Committee in an effort to have these positions replaced.

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The Council of Family Court Judges met with us to discuss our fee system, and we used this opportunity to let them know about some of the programs that we had going and our plans for the future. All of the judges expressed appreciation for the good work that we are doing. Our fee system seems necessary at this point although it will be an added burden for all of our staff, and particularly our fiscal people.

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The Lee Cottage renovation on the John G. Richards Campus has been completed. We are in hopes that it will not be too long before we can begin on another cottage so that we will reach the point to where we have only 24 boys in a cottage with two to a room. Mr. Gabriel is certainly due some congratulations along with his crew on the good job they have done.

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NEWS FROM THE INTENSIVE BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION PROGRAM.

The Intensive Behavior Modification Staff has successfully completed a twenty-hour curriculum in the principles of Behavior Modification. This course was taught by our Staff Psychologist, Mr. Daniel Lawther. The course covered topics such as: reinforcement, stimulus control behavior, creating new behavior and the item of undisciplined behavior.

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The Behavior Modification Program would like to welcome Ms. Beverly Hewlette to our staff. Ms. Hewlette replaces Mr. Ronald Kendrick who has taken a position with Vocational Rehabilitation. We would like to extend our best wishes to Mr. Kendrick on his new job, and welcome Ms. Hewlette, as she assumes her new duties.

We would also like to welcome Ms. Doreen Kern to our staff. Ms. Kern is a volunteer worker and is a sophomore at Erskine College. She has selected the Mod Program for her practicum.

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Thru the efforts of Mr. Bob LaMotte, Recreation Director at Mod, several students have been enrolled in a boxing program at the Memorial Youth Center on Tuesday and Thursday nights. We would like to thank Mr. LaMotte for a fine effort in this area.

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NEWS FROM THE WILLOW LANE SCHOOL.

During an interview with Mrs. Lucille Hendrix, the cosmetology teacher at Willow Lane School, she was asked what was cosmetology? What did she teach the girls and boys at Willow Lane? Did the students like the class? How long each student is scheduled for the cosmetology class? What would a typical period be like in her class?

This was her reply:

"Cosmetology is the name given a personal grooming class. I teach the girls and boys essential qualities of good everyday grooming. I must say, it is one class most of them look forward to each week."

"Each girl is scheduled one, two-hour period each week. The boys have one hour."

"This is a typical two-hour period: 'Mrs. Hendrix, where is the shampoo, creme rinse, vinegar, bobby pins, nail polish, combs, brushes?' A dozen other questions are asked, including: 'Where is the nail remover?' Now don't you know, if you would like to remove your nails, we will get some Red Devil Lye! 'Oh, you know what I mean! Polish Remover! That's it!' Everyone has a good laugh!"

"OK girls, get those hands working and get that scalp clean. That causes dandruff, if you don't clean the scalp! Section the scalp to roll it, please! Your hot iron is burning! Yes, I will curl your hair when you get it ready. Only one of me. 'Oh, how do I look?' Another answers, 'My honest opinion, or would you like a little story? You look like someone scared you and your hair stood straight up.' No, your hair does not grow from the ends, it grows from the scalp. The ends break because they are old! Turn the radio down, I can't hear the loud speaker - Oh well, that was the buzzer. Time is up. Get going! Next class!"

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Five students will receive certificates Sunday for completing the Nurses Aid Course. The students have spent over 180 hours in the classroom and working at Capitol Convalescent Center. Their teacher is Mrs. Irene Wright. Those graduating are Vickie Swygart, Mary Mims, Deborah Smith, Cynthia Harris and Teresa Sanders.

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On Thursday, January 17th, at 7 o'clock, the Willow Lane Drama Club presented a dramatic play titled "A Life That Led To Crossfire". The drama was written and portrayed by the students.

We would like to thank Mr. Jim Sparger for his help in producing this play. He put a lot of time and effort into this production.

All of the staff members and students who attended the play thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Congratulations for a job well done!

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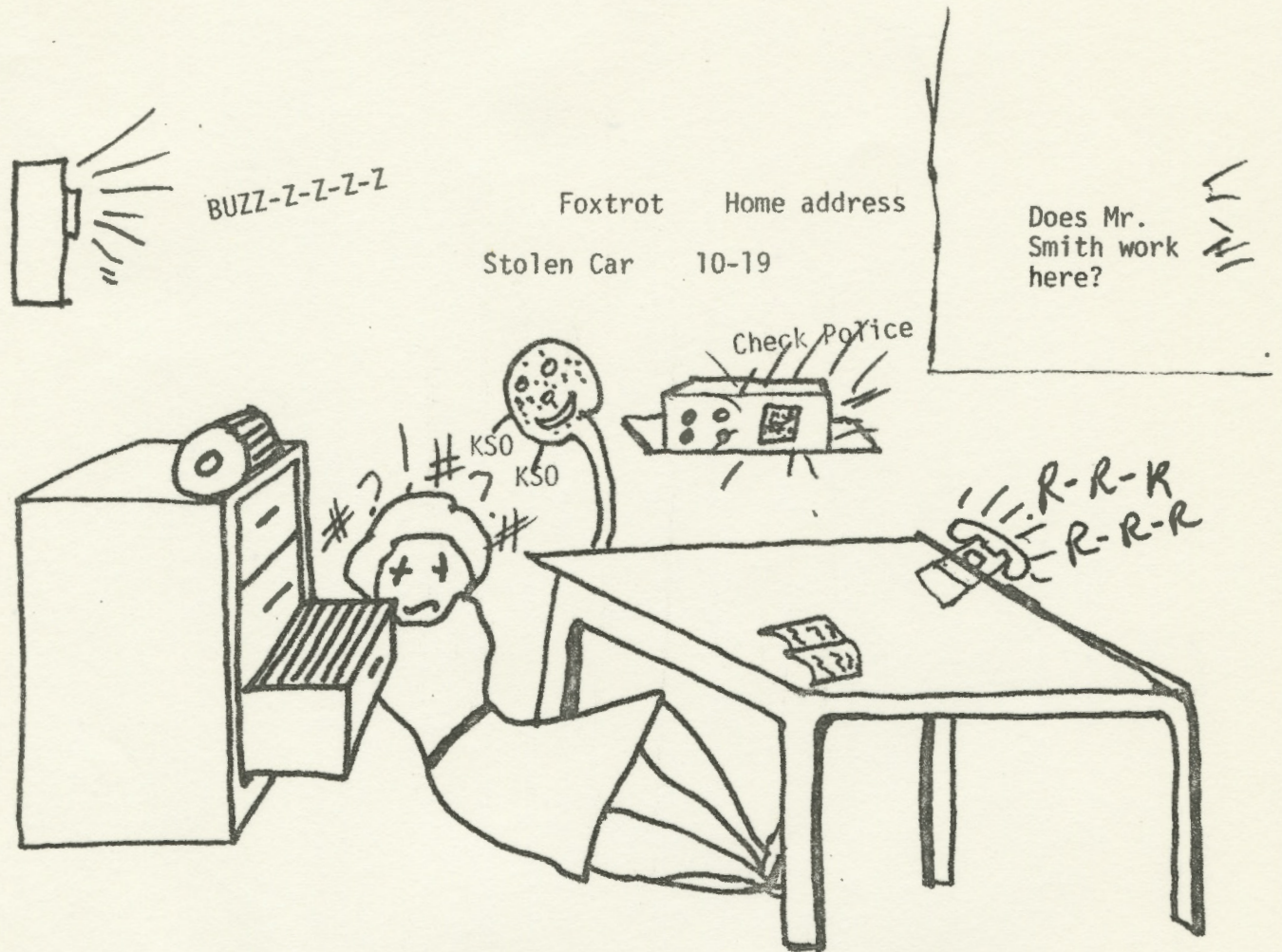
NEWS FROM THE SECURITY SECTION.

Our sympathy to Sergeant Calvirt H. Rhett and his family on the loss of his father.

A Reminder From Campus Police.....

The posted speed limit on Shivers Road is 25 mph for the safety of our children and those whose children reside along Shivers Road and their pets. Please observe the posted speed limit.

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PLEASE.....WHEN KSO HAS AN EMERGENCY, ONLY NECESSARY TRANSMISSIONS!! PLEASE??

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NEWS FROM THE RECEPTION AND EVALUATION CENTER.

The Reception and Evaluation Center welcomes to its staff Messrs. Elvin Tobin and Horace "Hoss" Horton. Mr. Tobin joins the Cottage Life Staff as a youth counselor and Mr. Horton (who transferred from Pickens ICU) the Social Services Staff.

Mrs. Lemaris Mack, RN, has returned from Maternity Leave and resumed her duties at the Center.

Mrs. Lois Carastro attended the Southeastern Correctional Management Training Council held in Jackson, Mississippi January 6 - 11.

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It is with regret that we say goodbye to Mr. Paul I. Weldon, Assistant Unit Coordinator at the R & E Center. We all feel that we have benefited from our association with him and wish him nothing but the best in his new position as

Assistant Director for Specialized Services with Central Corrections.

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I N V I T A T I O N

There will be a Drop-In in the Conference Room of the Goldsmith Building on the R & E Campus from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Thursday, January 24, 1974, honoring Mr. Paul I. Weldon.

Personnel from all units within the Department of Youth Services are invited to attend.

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NEWS FROM THE YOUTH BUREAU DIVISION.

On January 16, 17, 18, 1974, Mr. George Grogan, Deputy Director for Youth Bureau; Mr. J. Douglas Brooks, District Supervisor of Youth Bureau; Mr. Leonard Lee, Regional Supervisor of Greenville Youth Bureau; Mr. Walter Waddell, Regional Supervisor of Spartanburg Youth Bureau; and Mr. Marshall D. Rollins, Project Administrator for Charleston Regional Diagnostic Center attended the Youth Services System Staff Conference in Atlanta, Georgia. The Conference was sponsored by Health, Education and Welfare Office of Youth Development Region IV.

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We welcome new employees for the Columbia Field Office and St. Luke's Neighborhood Youth Center who have joined our staff and are now attending a two-week training program conducted by Mrs. Mary Curlee, Supervisor of Field Diagnostic Services, and the Training Section.

We also extend a welcome to Mrs. Eileen Fogle who recently transferred from Central Office to Youth Bureau State Office, Bush River Road. Mrs. Fogle has already proven to be a great asset to the Youth Bureau as Office Manager.

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The girls at Caroselle are thoroughly enjoying enrollment in a charm course and are enthusiastically involved in a drama group. They recently assisted with a production at Workshop Theater.

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NEWS FROM THE INTENSIVE CARE UNITS.

As of January 2, 1974, Mr. Stanley Conine returned from Educational Leave of Absence to resume his duties as Unit Supervisor of Intensive Care Unit at Willow Lane. Stanley received his Masters Degree in Counselor Education from the University of South Carolina in December, 1973.

Mrs. Nancy McGraw, who has been serving as Unit Supervisor in Mr. Conine's absence, has assumed a caseworker position at Pickens Cottage Intensive Care Unit.

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As part of taking care of overcrowded conditions in Pickens Cottage Intensive Care Unit, we have procured a "day-use only" facility for Phase III group therapy and Phase III recreation and leisure time that will relieve Pickens of much overcrowding during daylight hours. We hope in the near future, to be able to staff the building so that Phase III can have a full twenty-four hour program in the Hampton Building. We look forward to the Hampton Building being an extended freedom facility serving as a transition from the maximum security building to placements in the community. Phase III students in the Hampton Building will be actively involved in off-campus jobs, trades and work detail on the dairy and farm.

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NEWS FROM THE FOOD SERVICE SECTION.

Earlier this month, (January, 1974), a memorandum was sent out by Food Service

for all cafeteria operators. This memo was concerned with the current Energy Crisis and entitled, "You Are A VIP".

The text read as follows:

1. Preheat ovens only when needed. Turn off immediately when food is done.
2. Heat grills and cooking surfaces only when necessary, never overheat. Turn off surface units when not being used.
3. Use hot water carefully, do not let faucets drip or run when not in use.
4. Burn lights only when the storage and refrigeration areas are being used.
5. Keep walk-in refrigerator and freezer doors closed, except when moving provisions in or out.

Food Service Operators are heavy users of energy for cooking and cleaning; however, with thought to the above, these VIPs can also be a big help in conserving fuel and energy.

In conclusion, Mr. Robbins, Food Service Director, asked that anyone having any suggestions on conserving energy or fuel, contact him in order that these idea may be shared with others in the Department.

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NEWS FROM THE FISCAL AFFAIRS DIVISION.

Open Enrollment For State Employee Insurance Program

An open enrollment for the State Employee Insurance Program will be held January 22nd through February 22.

Eligible employees who wish to increase their health insurance coverage and/or add dependent life insurance may do so during the open enrollment period for an effective date of April 1, 1974. The only waiting period will be for maternity cases and any conditions arising out of pregnancy.

If you wish to make any changes in your health coverage and/or add dependent life insurance, please contact your supervisor between January 22 and February 22. No applications will be accepted after February 22.

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Income Tax

It's "THAT" time of the year again, and the W-2's from the Comptroller General's Office have been forwarded to the units for distribution. There are a few employees in the department, however, who were paid by Special Payment from PSC or other funds. These W-2's should reach you shortly.

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NEWS FROM THE MAINTENANCE SECTION.

Gasoline Allocation for January	5,504.0
Amount Used Through January 20th	<u>3,658.9</u>
Remainder of January Allocation	1,845.1

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NEWS FROM THE S. C. STATE EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION.

On June 21, 1974, a chartered jet will take off from Columbia, S. C., carrying a group of happy members and their families to a fabulous full week of partying and unremitting luxury in Switzerland and Germany. We invite you

to be in that group!

The trip will include four nights in Geneva, Switzerland and three nights in Munich (with free sightseeing tours in both Geneva and Munich). There will also be five exciting optional side trips, which can turn your Swiss-Bavarian vacation into a fabulous Swiss-Bavarian-French-Austrian-Italian vacation.

The entire trip is yours for only \$599 . . . including all breakfasts and dinners.

THIS TRIP IS LIMITED TO MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES ONLY.

Please get your reservations in at once as they will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

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NEWS FROM THE EMPLOYEE-RELATIONS SECTION.

QUALIFIED FOR A BETTER POSITION ??

"UPWARD MOBILITY IS A REALITY"!!

Check your bulletin boards for Job Announcements --

They are posted for YOUR benefit!!

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Remembered Quote for the Day...

"People will believe anything if you say it's a rumor or a secret."

-- The State